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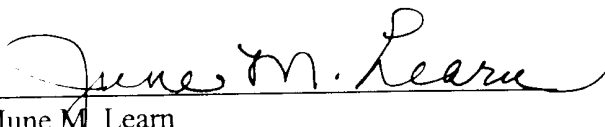
The restriction of claims 1-21 AND 23-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 121 is respectfully submitted to be in error. The claims have been divided into three groups labeled Groups I, II and IV. For the purposes of this Response, it is assumed that the group of claims labeled Group IV should have been labeled Group III.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect the Group III claims (claims 21-25) without traverse. Non-elected claims from Group I (i.e., claims 1-17) and Group II (i.e., claims 18-20) are retained in this application pending final disposition of the elected claims.

In view of the above remarks, reconsideration and favorable action on all claims is respectfully requested. Should any questions remain in view of this communication, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

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